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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph number [0062] on page 4 with the following edited paragraph:

[0062] Referring to FIGs. 1 and 4, the standardized version 31 of the synonyms without the irrelevant instructions and the irrelevant jumps are forwarded to the detector 50, as indicated by arrow 44, along with their associated instruction lines 12', as indicated by arrow 46. The detector 50 also receives the malicious code patterns 40 and performs a string comparison operation searching for the malicious code patterns 40 in the standardized version 31 with the data references as implicit wildcards.